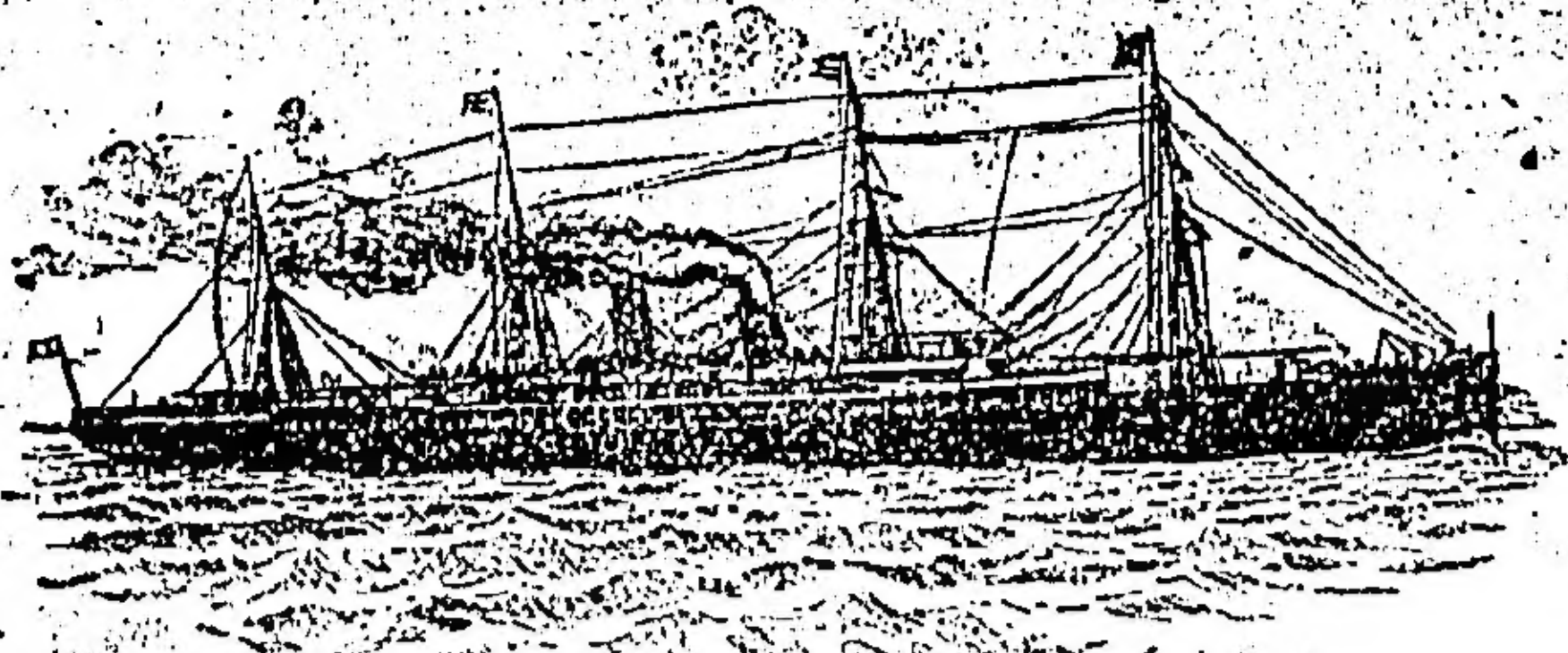


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U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO., TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE;

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"COPTIC"	FRIDAY, 28th November, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU"	SATURDAY, 6th December, at Noon.
"KOREA"	SATURDAY, 13th December, at Noon.
"GABLO"	TUESDAY, 23rd December, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 31st December, at Noon.
"CHINA"	THURSDAY, 8th January, 1903, at Noon.
"DORIO"	SATURDAY, 17th January, 1903, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU"	SATURDAY, 24th January, 1903, at Noon.
"PERU"	TUESDAY, 3rd February, 1903, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA", 12,000 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE O. & O. Company's Steamship "COPTIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (First-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are confined and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Return Passage.—Reduction will be made to passengers who do not hold return tickets, making the return journey between ports in the Orient and Honolulu or beyond, within twelve months.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Points, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Companies' Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

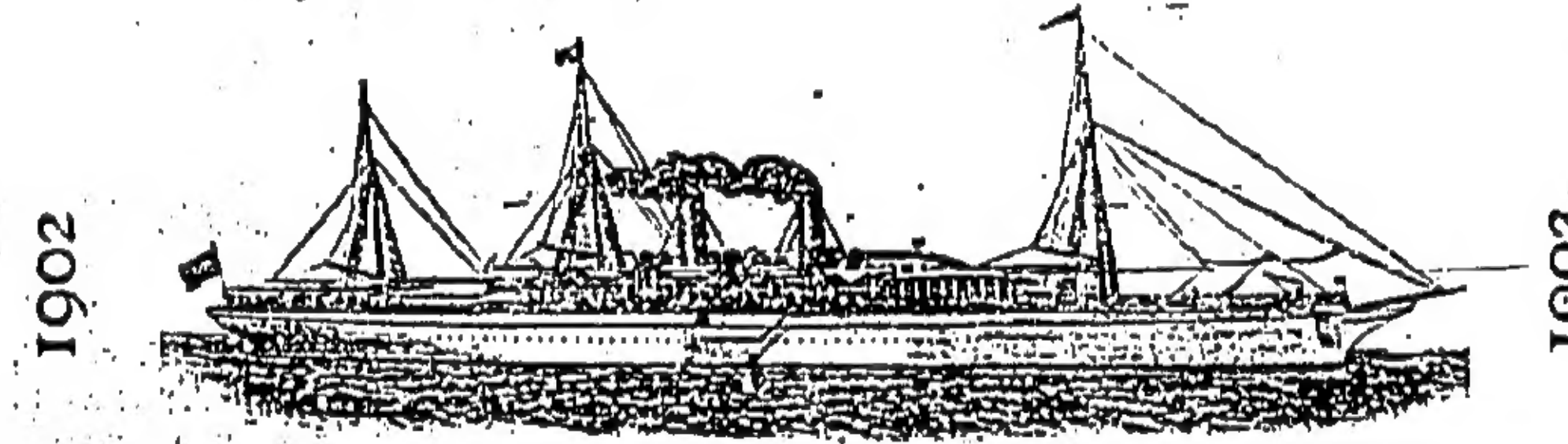
Merchant's Invoice will be sufficient for cargo or parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100. U.S. Gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

Hongkong, 20th November, 1902.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY. THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, via CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES. (CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.) Twin Screw Steamships—5,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

R.M.S. TARTAR	Comdr. E. Beetham, R.N.R.	WEDNESDAY, 3rd Dec.
EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R.	WEDNESDAY, 17th Dec.
ATHENIAN	Comdr. H. Mowatt	WEDNESDAY, 31st Dec.
EMPEROR OF CHINA	Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R.	WEDNESDAY, 14th Jan.
EMPEROR OF INDIA	Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R.	WEDNESDAY, 11th Feb.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 19th November, 1902.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT; BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES	Freight
MARBURG	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	3rd Dec.	Freight.
Niedermeyer	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	17th Dec.	Freight.
SUEVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	31st Dec.	Freight.
ALESIA	GENOA and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	13th Jan.	Freight.
Schonfeldt	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	27th Jan.	Freight.
NURNBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	10th Feb.	Freight.
Janub	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	24th Feb.	Freight.
SILESIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	10th Mar.	Freight.
Bahle	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	24th Mar.	Freight.

For further Particulars apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. HONGKONG OFFICE, No. 1, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1902.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATOR to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE R. T. HEAD, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 22nd November, 1902, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, 20, Des Voeux Road, SUNDRY GOODS AND EFFECTS, Comprising—

DOUBLE IRON BEDSTEAD, TEAK-WOOD WARDROBE with BEVELLED GLASS, MARBLE TOP, DRESSING TABLE and WASHSTAND with BEVELLED GLASS, CAMPHOR WOOD CHEST OF DRAWERS, TRAVELLING BAGS, CLOTHING, &c., &c. TERMS—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers. Hongkong, 21st November, 1902. [1240]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 22nd November, 1902, at 11.15 P.M., at No. 16, RAJA CENTRAL, near the Douglas S.S. Co's Wharf, A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE VALUABLE CURIOS, Comprising— SATSUMA and CLOISONNE WARE, IVORY CARVINGS, SILK SCREENS, TEA SETS, LACQUERED and INLAID PANELS and SCREENS, SILK HAND-KERCHIEFS, PORCELAIN WARE, &c., &c. Catalogues will be issued, and the Goods are now on view. TERMS—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 18th November, 1902. [1232]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. No. 685.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land, by Public Auction, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, on

MONDAY, the 24th day of November, 1902, at 3 P.M., are published for general information. By Command,

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 7th November, 1902. [1238]

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 24th day of November, 1902, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Aberdeen, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.									
No. of Sale.	LOCALITY.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square Feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.				
Lot No. 26.		ft. ft. ft. ft.							
Aberdeen Inland Lot No. 26.	Aberdeen	185 185 64 64	11,840	27	1,339				

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on TUESDAY, the 25th November, 1902, at 3 P.M., at Nos. 2 and 3, Shau-ki-wan Road, CAUSEWAY BAY.

One SMALL PLANING MACHINE, One DRILLING MACHINE, One SCREW CUTTING LATHE, One HORIZONTAL TANDER DRIVING ENGINE (with set of Pulley and Belts to drive the above), One ROILER 6 feet by 3 feet, Two Lengths of SHAFTING with COUPLING and BRACKET, Three COUNTER SHAFTS with BRACKETS, Two PORTABLE FORGES, Two Sets of BLACKSMITH'S TOOLS, A Great Quantity of LATHES, TOOLS, HAMMERS, ANVILS, One 2-ton CHAIN BLOCK, &c., &c.

ALSO: One New Steam-Launch built of Teakwood and Boiler tested by D.O.T. Length.....29 feet. Breadth.....6 feet. Depth.....3 ft. 6 in. Engine.....34 by 7 with Keel Condenser. The Launch will be on view from To-day until day of sale at A King's Slipway, Wanchai, and will be sold at 4.30 P.M. TERMS—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 19th November, 1902. [1241]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between GEORGE AMBROSE DISS and PERCY JOSEPH GILLINGS has been dissolved and the business of Tailors and Breeches Makers heretofore carried on by them at 14, Des Voeux Road Central under the Style of DISS & GILLINGS will henceforth be carried on in the same Premises by the Undersigned alone under the Style of GEORGE AMBROSE DISS who will be answerable for all Debts due from the late Firm of DISS & GILLINGS and will collect all Debts due therefrom. Dated this 17th day of November, 1902. [1231] G. A. DISS.

CONNAUGHT HOUSE HOTEL. I HAVE This Day assumed MANAGEMENT of the above Hotel. GEO. J. CLARK. Hongkong, 17th November, 1902. [1232]

Intimations.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG. SUMMARY JURISDICTION. FOREIGN ATTACHMENT.

Action No. 1478 of 1902. Plaintiff—THE SHING CHEONG. Defendant—THE PAN TSUN.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Writ of Foreign Attachment returnable on the 3rd day of December, 1902, against all the Property moveable and immovable of the above named Defendant Firm within the Colony has been issued in this Action Pursuant to the Provisions of Section 433 of the Code of Civil Procedure. Dated this 19th day of November, 1902. H. K. HOLMES, Plaintiff's Solicitor.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE DIVIDEND of 10% per Share and BONUS of 4% per Share for the Six Months ended 30th June, 1902, declared at the adjourned Ordinary Half Yearly Meeting held on Tuesday, the 18th instant, will be PAYABLE at the Premises of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on and after WEDNESDAY, the 19th instant, and Shareholders are requested to apply for DIVIDEND WARRANTS at the Company's Office, Queen's Buildings, New Praya.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GEO. A. CALDWELL, Acting Secretary. Hongkong, 18th November, 1902. [1238d]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 25th instant, at TWELVE O'CLOCK, NOON, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the 31st April last, and of declaring Dividends.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th instant, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, W. H. RAY, Secretary. Hongkong, 14th November, 1902. [1238d]

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER BOAT CO., LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 20, Des Voeux Road, on TUESDAY, the 25th day of November, at NOON, for the purpose of presenting the Report and Statement of Accounts for the 30th of September, 1902.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th to the 25th November, both days inclusive. J. W. KEW, Manager. Hongkong, 14th November, 1902. [1218d]

THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 13, Beaconsfield Arcade, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 27th day of November, 1902, at 12 o'clock, Noon, when the Subjoined Special Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on the 11th day of November, 1902, will be submitted for confirmation:—

1. That the Capital of the Company be increased by the creation and issue of 650,000 New Ordinary Shares of \$11 each; and that the sum of \$10 paid up on each, and that the Directors be empowered and authorised to accept surrenders of the present 50,000 Ordinary Shares of the Company of \$10 each on which the sum of \$10 each has been paid up, and that one New Share of \$11, with the sum of \$10 paid up thereon, be given in lieu of and in exchange for each old share of \$10 fully paid up, and that thereupon the said old shares be cancelled.

2. That of the remaining \$1 payable in respect of each of the New Shares, the sum of 10 cents be paid on the surrender of the old share, and that the remainder be called up (if necessary) and paid at such times and in such instalments as the Board may determine.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. KERFOOT HUGHES, Secretary. Hongkong, 11th November, 1902. [1199d]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on account of the year 1902 at the RATE of FIFTY CENTS per Share (or FIVE PER CENT on the Capital of the Company) will be PAYABLE at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, HONGKONG, on and after SATURDAY, the 29th instant, on WARRANTS to be obtained from the Undersigned. Local Shareholders are requested to apply at the Company's Office for their Warrants.

The DIVIDEND will also be PAYABLE at THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, SHANGHAI, on Presentation of Warrants there, on and after the same Date.

The REGISTER of SHARES will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 24th instant, until TUESDAY, the 2nd December, both days inclusive, during which Period NO Transfer of Shares will be registered.

By Order, A. H. MANCELL, Secretary. Hongkong, 17th November, 1902. [1239d]

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S TOWN DEPOT, 2, Lower Albert Road, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 8th day of December, 1902, at 2 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the 31st July, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th November to the 8th December, 1902, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, S. A. SETHI, Secretary. Hongkong, 16th November, 1902. [1243d]

Hotels.

GO TO THE KOWLOON HOTEL, KOWLOON. J. H. DOWNS, Manager. J. W. OSBORNE, Proprietor.

THE CONNAUGHT HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL SITUATED NEAR THE BANKS AND PRINCIPAL OFFICES. EXCELLENT CUISINE AND WINES. Large and lofty Rooms Elegantly Furnished. Hydraulic Elevator. Hot and Cold Water throughout. Special Rates for Tourists. Launch Service for Guests. For Terms, apply to THE MANAGER. Hongkong, 1st November, 1902. [1339c]

"BOA VISTA," (HOTEL SANITARIUM OF SOUTH CHINA), MACAO.

THE most select Hotel in the Far-East, beautifully situated, over-looking the sea, and affords comfortable accommodation for travellers. The strictest supervision as to food and cleanliness is exercised by a European Manager. 57d. Telegraphic Address: "BOA VISTA."

Intimations.

INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT. The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that the Undersigned, being Sole Agents for DR. AUER VON WELSBACH Co., VIENNA, THE INVENTORS OF INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT, ARE SELLING THE ONLY GENUINE MANTLES, The Price of which has been reduced to FIFTY CENTS per piece. BEWARE OF INFERIOR IMITATIONS! KRUSE & Co., CONNAUGHT HOUSE. 954c

PETER SYS' WONDERFUL SPECIFIC. THE only remedy at present known as an INFALLIBLE and PERMANENT CURE for SPRUE, DYSENTERY, DIARRHÆA, HEMORRHOGE and ULCERATION OF THE BOWELS. Recommended by some of the Chief Specialists of the Medical Profession. Sold retail by all Chemists and Wholesale by THE PETER SYS COMPANY, (Proprietors and Sole Manufacturers) 9, Old China Street, Shanghai. 12th October, 1902. [121]

WING CHEONG. DEALERS IN JEWELLERY, PEARLS, DIAMONDS, JADESTONEWARE, CURIOS, SILKS, CARVED IVORYWARE, AND GRASSCLOTHS, AND GENERAL EXPORTERS. No. 35, Queen's Road Central. Next Door Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, 20th November, 1901. [1239c]

ST. GEORGE'S BALL. A MEETING of the SUBSCRIBERS to the St. GEORGE'S BALL will be held by kind permission, at the CITY HALL, on TUESDAY, 25th November, 1902, at 5.15 P.M. His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir WILLIAM MEIGH GOODMAN, will preside. Up to the present there are 136 Subscribers. Further intending Subscribers are requested to sign lists now in circulation, or to notify the Undersigned as early as possible. E. W. MITCHELL, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 13th November, 1902. [1213d]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB. NOTICE. AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above Club will be held at the GRAND STAND, Race Course Enclosure, at 5 P.M., on FRIDAY, the 28th instant. BUSINESS.—To pass the Programme of the Race Meeting to be held in February next. By Order, J. GRANT, Secretary. Hongkong, 20th November, 1902. [1250d]

DROZ & Co., WATCH MANUFACTURERS, STEAM FACTORY ESTABLISHED 1864. ST. IMIER, SWITZERLAND. SPECIALITIES: LEVER WATCH & CHRONOMETERS. TRADE MARKS: MAXIM, BERNA, &c. REPAIRS of WATCHES and CLOCKS by competent European experts at Moderate Rate. No. 14, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. Hongkong, 10th October, 1901. [1236c]

CHRISTMAS CAKES. H. RUTONJEE begs to inform the Public of Hongkong, Kowloon and Coast Ports that having secured the services of a First Class Competent Pastry-Baker with a very long experience in his business, he is in a position to make splendid CHRISTMAS CAKES this year. He used to assure his numerous kind patrons that no efforts will be spared to make his XMAS CAKES of the finest and most expensive ingredients obtainable. 10% Discount for Cash. H. RUTONJEE, No. 3, D'Almeida Street, Nos. 39 and 40, Elgin Road, Kowloon. Hongkong, 31st October, 1902. [807d]

TAI LOONG. NEW Kid Gloves, Fancy Dress Goods, Capes and Jackets, Flannels and Serges, Wool Shawls. Hongkong, 14th October, 1902. [502d]

RITCHIE & Co., De Voeux Road. 10th November, 1902.

SALT HERRINGS FROM SCOTLAND. \$5 A KEG.

THE CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

Everybody in South China who is personally interested in the development of trade, or the opening up of the country, or Missionary enterprise, is talking about the proposed CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

This railway has been before the world for a long time. Twenty-four years ago, says a writer in the *N. C. D. News*, I heard a noble oration on China, delivered in London, and some of the most inspiring paragraphs were devoted to the description of the impending railway, and the attendant blessings it would bring to the Chinese and the world. The engineers are in Canton, at Wongsai, in the western suburbs, a small office has been erected, which is hidden behind the usual flags, and is to be known henceforth as "The Office of Canton-Hankow Railway." But important decisions have, in China, been made in very insignificant buildings, provided that the flags are in evidence, so we need not be much concerned about the unpretentiousness of the building. According to report, many of the people regard with no great favour this proposed innovation. Nor need we wonder. Rich paddy land, that can ill be spared, will be demanded from its owners, and a large number of the boat population, if the railway becomes a success, will be thrown out of employ. Still such things as these must be expected, and arranged for. It is generally thought that the line will pass northwards, passing through Shiu-chai, which was formerly the great centre for the distribution of tea, to the south, which was brought thither by coolies over the Muling mountains. There will be

CONSIDERABLE WORK BEFORE THE ENGINEERS.

for there will be some mountains to be tunneled or surmounted, and therefore some years must elapse before the task is finished, even though the requisite capital was already subscribed, and the work begun in earnest. It is believed, by some, that the railway will dislocate, to a considerable extent, the present coast trade of Shanghai and the Yangtze. It is believed that much of the merchandise, now carried by the coasting steamers, which has to be reshipped at Shanghai, and forwarded up the "Ocean's Son," will then be transmitted by rail. How far this will be so only experience can decide. In the delta itself the railway will have to compete with cheap steam launches, and it is doubtful if a railway company can ever charge rates so low as to do this and pay a dividend. It is believed, of course, that the railway will lead to a solid increase in the volume of trade, and so justify the faith of its promoters.

MR. FUNG YEE.

CHINESE CONSUL-GENERAL AT SINGAPORE.

A great many persons in England, will be glad to hear that Mr. Fung Yee is about to be made Chinese Consul-General at Singapore. Twenty years and more ago he was a prominent and interesting person in London, and was even something of a "society" lion. He came to London in 1876 as an interpreter to the Chinese special embassy of Kuo Sung-Tao to apologise for the murder of Mr. Margary, a consular official in Yunnan. The mission came for a month or two. It was soon converted into a permanent one, and there has been a Chinese Legation in London ever since. Mr. Fung is a Mongol, and the only man of this race who ever held an official situation here.

ASK FOR ASAHI JAPANESE BEER—G. Girault.

He spoke English with remarkable fluency and force though with the guttural utterance of his people. His intelligence, his extreme quickness in acquiring and assimilating Western knowledge, and his invariably good humour made him a general favourite. In particular he had studied some engineering in China, and showed

A DEEP AND INTELLIGENT INTEREST in everything relating to great engineering. All the great engineers and railway-men of the day knew and liked him, and gave him every help. Sir Edward Watkin, Sir Miles Fenton, Sir John Fowler, Sir John Coode, and many others took him about with them, and in this way he became familiar with bridges, tunnels, harbours, docks, water, and gas schemes.

He became a member of a dozen scientific societies, and there on occasion was to be witnessed the spectacle of the Mongol gentleman in blue petticoats and a pigtail, with his large, solemn countenance, holding forth to the scientific little of the land on their own subjects with extreme volubility. I fancy what interested everyone, says a writer in a home paper, was to hear old familiar facts, mere truisms perhaps, after they had passed through the alembic of the Mongol mind, come out in a novel guise and be proclaimed by a strange figure. Mr. Fung's intellectual activity did not stop here. He imbibed a vast number of notions of a Socialistic kind, especially from the late Mr. Henry George's *Progress and Poverty*, and was strongly disposed towards advanced Radical ideas in English politics. He was called at times in the newspapers in the early eighties

"THE CHINESE RADICAL," for he was given to attending political meetings and expressing his sentiments when he could do so in a quiet way. Here, again, what attracted Englishmen was to hear familiar ideas in an old way—to find common things in novel situations, just as a man on a tight rope is an object of interest to people who would not look a second time at him on the ground.

For years Mr. Fung made his way through London, an interesting and sometimes amusing figure, and I think under successive Ministers he did his country much good. For what might not be the future of a country in which every man was a possible Fung? Obviously there was intelligence, openness of mind, great capacity for progress in that country, and perhaps Mr. Fung had a good deal to do with the notion prevalent in this country till the Japanese war that if China were roused she would prove a dangerous military antagonist, and that she was really a sleeping lion or a ferocious dragon. In the fulness of time Mr. Fung returned to his own land, taking with him an English wife. He had been very ill at one time, and his life was despaired of. Sir William MacCormac, who attended him, thought he was being neglected by his male nurse, and a female nurse was promptly installed. From that moment the patient began to mend, and in a few months the successful nurse was Mrs. Fung. On his return to China he was employed for a time in the office of the Governor of Shanghai, and was sent on a mission up the Yangtze during the riots some years ago. The mission was a failure. He found the rioters less easy to deal with than the Institute of Civil Engineers or the pundits of the Society of Arts. Since then Mrs. Fung has died, and the years which have passed have not been altogether years of sunshine. The buoyancy, the readiness to receive new impressions, the enthusiasm of youth disappear with Mongols as with Englishmen; but in Singapore Mr. Fung has an agreeable post, and I hope that he may long continue to enjoy it.

ASK FOR ASAHI JAPANESE BEER—G. Girault.

YEN WU-LING A SUICIDE.

GOVERNOR OF HUNAN'S EFFORT TO SAVE HIM.

Yen Wu Ling, Colonel of the Yi Brigade, one of the military officers concerned in the Chencheo massacre, on learning of the punishment in store for him has committed suicide. His sentence, according to the decree, was decapitation after the autumnal assize. It appears by advices from Tientsin that Yu Lien San, Governor of Hunan, tried to save this officer reporting that he was less culpable than Liu Liang Shi, commander of the Chencheo garrison, and Yen Wu Ling's ranking officer. This attempt to absolve the Governor from investigation as to his motive in urging such a departure from precedent. He may have hoped thus to work off a personal grudge. The circumstance that the effort failed is regarded at Peking as absolving the Governor from investigation as to his motive in urging such a departure from precedent. He may have hoped thus to work off a personal grudge.

THE TREASURY CHEST FUND.

AN EXPLANATION.

When the Army Appropriation Accounts were under examination last April, more than one member of the Public Accounts Committee needed information concerning the Treasury Chest Fund, which played so important a part in the transactions on account of army services in South Africa. Inasmuch as the average newspaper reader presumably knows less about the matter than a body especially appointed to ascertain that the Parliamentary grants for each financial year have been applied to the prescribed objects, an authoritative explanation of the purpose of the fund should be welcomed. Such an explanation is contained in a memorandum prepared by Mr. Robert Chalmers, one of the permanent Treasury officials, from which it appears that the Treasury Chest Fund is a central banking fund, under Treasury control, which exists for the purpose of laying down funds abroad (mainly by bill operations and telegraphic transfers) to carry on the public service generally. The capital of the fund is kept at the Pay Office in so far as it is not in the chests abroad. At the end of the last financial year there were fifteen Treasury chests abroad at the following centres:—Barbados, Bermuda, Cape of Good Hope, Ceylon, Egypt, Gibraltar, Hongkong, Jamaica, Malta, Mauritius, Natal, Nova Scotia, St. Helena, Sierra Leone, and the Straits Settlements. Exchange operations, &c., are charged against the profit and loss account of the fund, which makes its advance to public departments at par, and recovers them periodically from the provision annually voted by Parliament for the services administered by the departments which require advances abroad. The principal departments concerned are the War Office, the Admiralty, the Foreign Office, and the Colonial Office. The annual net result of the intermediary operations of the Treasury Chest is either a profit or a loss, the former being paid into the Exchequer, while the latter is voted by Parliament, so that the working balance remains at the statutory maximum from year to year. It may be added that this maximum, which was fixed by the Treasury Chest Fund Act 1862 at £1,300,000, was reduced in 1873 to £1,000,000, and in 1893 to £700,000. The total net profits paid into the Exchequer from the Treasury Chest Fund during the twenty-five years ending March 31, 1901, were £120,310, the total net losses which had to be voted by Parliament during the same period being £510,567.

ASK FOR ASAHI JAPANESE BEER—G. Girault.

RUSSIA'S REASONS.

L'Impartial has published a rather interesting statement of Russia's hundred and one reasons for retaining Manchuria. The list of reasons does not contain much that we have not heard before, and more than once perhaps during the past two years; but they tend to prove that Russia is not a fickle-minded person blowing hot and cold about her intentions. We cannot assert that she has been half-hearted about her Manchurian policy, and she is evidently at no loss to account for the "faith" that is in her in regard to remaining. Stated categorically her reasons are:—

- 1.—The present condition of Manchuria is such that it cannot possibly be settled in a few days or even months.
- 2.—After peace and order have been restored the bandits are certain to rise again and they would certainly invade Russian territory in Hu-lung-kiang.
- 3.—Troubles in China are mainly due to anti-foreign feeling and the nation which has suffered most is Russia, therefore she must hold Manchuria to prevent future trouble.
- 4.—Japan is getting stronger every day. She has moreover allied herself to England, and in self preservation Russia must act without delay.
- 5.—Last year Russia sent 15,000 emigrants, and about 20,000 this year into Hu-lung-kiang, and if Russia withdrew from Manchuria what would become of all these poor people?

N.B.—We read in a home paper the other day that the emigrants are so dissatisfied with things in general in Manchuria that as many as have the means to do so are going back to Russia with all speed.—*P. & T. Times*.

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THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS. Hongkong, 22nd November, 1902.

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DEATH.
At No. 9, Quinsan Road, Shanghai, on 15th inst., Lieutenant C. C. BOJENSEN, R.M., aged 38 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1902.

FICKLE TIENTSIN.

Our well-informed correspondent at Tientsin continues to delight readers of this journal with excellent notes on the present position of affairs throughout China, and those who recollect the admirable letters forwarded prior to the Boxer outbreak in 1900 have no cause to doubt the veracity of the assertions. On the 10th inst. a letter was received stating that on the previous day all Tientsin, military, official and civilian of all nationalities, were running in their best ceremonial livery to the Viceroy's Yamen, where Acting Viceroy Wu was "at home" to drink champagne to the health of the Empress Dowager!!! Of what use, our correspondent asks, to cavil at Ministers if merchants, who shrink while shot and shell riddled their godowns, and swore grimly as they dragged their choicest bales of wool and skins from their store-houses to make barricades, only two years ago, can now don morning coat and bell topper to drink long life to the woman who pulled the string in 1900, and lives but to pull it again! Truly fashion is a fickle jade and men are her slaves! If one had stood firm and had the temerity to ventilate his true opinion, dozen would have followed. In their heart of hearts if they stopped to think what they were doing Tientsinners were doubtless a bit ashamed of themselves, and a great many managed not to go, and so much to their honour. This perpetual feasting is getting not only monotonous, but suspicious. A certain amount of social intercourse with the object of creating a better mutual understanding is all very well. But if China thinks that she can lead us by the nose because she feasts us she is making a grave mistake, and we are making a still graver one by letting her think so. The whole object of it is to lull suspicion. To feast us off our guard, so that we may get on terms which preclude constant and carping criticism of events. It is said that the Viceroy, directly he returns, will give a big entertainment to both ladies and gentlemen at which dancing will take place. All this is out of place, first so soon after the tragic occurrences of 1900, secondly until China has given solid and undeniable proof of her sincerity in rectifying her mistakes. The following interesting letter, the correspondent adds, shows how a Chinese views the situation:—"Since the Chinese have resumed charge of the City, the place is gradually getting dirty again, and the streets are not being as well kept as they were before. The military police, instead of keeping the place quiet, themselves disturb the people, often blowing out the street lamps and rousing the people to rioting. Though they dare not openly ask for money they contrive in these ways to make the people pay them. Now that the weather is getting cold it will be very hard for the people to be roused at night, and they naturally pay to escape being so. All this is, of course, very trifling compared with the tampering with civil and criminal cases going on in the Chinese Court. It was agreed that no cases of the T.P.G. were to be touched, but there are several now which the Chinese are trying to reverse, and they will very likely be decided against the T.P.G. These cases have probably been brought by the Yamen runners, who have been paid by the other side. The Chinese are placing themselves in a very awkward position should the Powers choose to take notice of it." With this we entirely agree, and the sooner Tientsin and the British Government wake up to the true position of affairs the better will it be for all concerned. Let these suspicious social panderings cease, and actions prove the courage of convictions.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

MR. WHITE was very pleased with Dalry, but greatly disappointed with Port Arthur and the Manchurian Railway.

COMMUNICATION WITH THE NORTH.—Owing to the interruption of the Hongkong-Foochow cable, there will probably be considerable delay on telegrams to and from North China and Japan.

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ACCIDENT AT THE ABERDEEN DOCK.—Last night a Chinese steamer, while working on the s.s. Victoria at the Aberdeen Docks, fell from the top of the boiler (between 20 and 30 feet) and was killed.

LUCHU AND FORMOSA.—An appropriation of yen 60,000 has been requested by the Luchu Islands, for a period of ten years, to develop their sugar factories, and another yen 50,000 for a line of steamers connecting the islands with Foochow.

WARREN'S CIRCUS is having a continued success with the new programme, and the maineers are a welcome treat to children and so many others who prefer an afternoon entertainment to a more crowded one at night. Sir Henry and Lady Blake and suite will be present at to-morrow night's performance.

THE BAYERN.—The German mail steamer Bayern, which is due here shortly, has, according to intelligence received by mail, been in collision near Brockdork with the Grimsby steamer Heinsfeld. The Bayern received injury to her starboard side amidships, while the Heinsfeld had stern damaged. Both vessels put into Hamburg.

THE S. S. PHRA NANG.—The Norddeutscher Lloyd steamer Phra Nang which stranded about the beginning of the month, on Triton Island, L'arcelles, is not only saleable but is almost. She was towed to Turon by the steamship Mackay and leaves for Hongkong via Hoihow to-morrow. The extent of damage is not known.

THE PROPOSED ELECTRIC RAILWAY from London to Brighton will run through a tunnel for about thirteen miles, and the total length of the line will be under forty-seven miles. The stopping places will be Croydon, Redhill, Holey, and Hayward's Heath, and the journey will be covered in about forty minutes. The London terminus will be adjoining Waterloo Station. A Bill is to be presented to Parliament in the coming session.

STILL MORE BOARDS IN PEKING.—The establishment of the Board of Commercial Affairs has already been decided upon by the Grand Council of New Reforms. Chu Hung-chi is to be appointed President and Wu Ting-fang Vice-President; the other members of the Board will be appointed from amongst men conversant with commercial affairs from each Province. Mercantile Maritime, Railway and Mining Affairs will be administered by the new Board.

BY KIND PERMISSION of Col. Fremonger and officers, the Band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow (Saturday) evening from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

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VLADIVOSTOCK AS A FREE PORT.—A later report with regard to the proposal to make Vladivostock a free port is to the effect that the Japanese Government has instructed the Japanese Commercial Agent at that port to supply necessary information, and a reply has been received stating that as the result of his inquiries of the Customs superintendent, he learned that arrangements have been made to allow the importation of Chinese goods and products into Vladivostock free of import duty. It is said that the Japanese Government has opened negotiations with a view to causing the same treatment to be extended to Japanese goods imported into Vladivostock.

CRUELTY TO CHILDREN.—A man named William Murphy, in business with his father, a tailor and draper, and residing in Esler-road, Liverpool, was charged recently before the stipendiary judge with cruelty to Evelyn Dorothy Lomax, 11, daughter of a widow living in Bolton. Mr. Dobell prosecuted for the Liverpool Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, and stated that the girl's mother, seeing an advertisement in the Liverpool papers for a girl to mind a baby and run messages, communicated with the defendant, the result being that her daughter went to live at defendant's house, where she was subjected to very severe treatment for slight faults. "A week after entering the situation she broke an ornament, when the defendant took her upstairs to a store room, laid her across a basket, and struck her with his fist several times. Generally he thrashed her with a strap cut into a number of tails, not infrequently going to her bed room and turning down the clothes so that he could use the strap on her. Once he took her across his knee and beat her with the bristles of a brush, and once he held her in a cold bath. The evidence of the girl and of a doctor having been given in corroboration, Mr. J. A. T. bin, who defended, said his client recognized that he had gone too far, but there was no idea of wanton cruelty, and the girl had not suffered physically. He was prepared to hand over a sum of money for the benefit of the girl. The magistrate imposed the full penalty of £25 and costs, on the understanding that the defendant also paid £10 to the society, and if they used that money for to benefit the girl it would doubtless meet the approval of all present. If £25 is the full penalty for such shocking brutality, the sooner the law is amended the better, for such a very mild sentence is a travesty on justice. A fine of £1,000 or two years' hard, with a flogging each half year, would come nearer fitting the enormity of cowardly and inhuman offences of this description.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

ARMED ROBBERY.

The Criminal Sessions was resumed this morning before His Lordship, Sir W. M. Goodman, when the trial of Ho Cheung, Lai Shing Chou, and Lai Han for armed robbery on the 10th October, near Sham-sui-poo, and also with stealing \$350 was continued. Prisoners pleaded not guilty and were defended by Mr. Ferrers. The Attorney General prosecuted on behalf of the Crown, and the following jury was sworn:—F. G. C. Go and D. Gow, S. Marcovitch, G. F. Ribeiro, C. Kinck, A. A. de Jesus, H. A. L. O'denburgh.

After a lengthy address by the Attorney General and Mr. Ferrers, the Chief Justice summed up the case, pointing out the prevalence of crime in the New Territory.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and the prisoners were each sentenced to five years' hard labour, and ordered to receive 20 strokes of the birch. At the conclusion of the case, the Attorney General drew the Chief Justice's attention to the two witnesses, Lau Tin, and Leong Ping Young, who appeared and gave evidence on behalf of the prisoners, and tried to prove an alibi. After a severe censure by His Lordship, they were each sentenced to three months' hard labour for perjury and gross contempt of Court.

The Court then adjourned till Monday morning 24th proximo, when the case of Luk Haang, for a breach of the Bankruptcy Ordinance, will be tried.

ALLEGED MANSLAUGHTER.

AT THE KOWLOON FERRY WHARF.

At the Police Court this morning, four coolies were charged with having caused the death of a Chinese lighterman in the harbour on the 3rd inst. Mr. Brutton, of Messrs. Mounsey and Brutton, defended. It appears that the lighter on which the deceased was working went alongside the Praya wall at Tsimshatsui, and in doing so collided with a log raft, being propelled by the four accused and several other coolies. As the result of the impact the logs were unshipped and scattered. High words were exchanged and a free fight followed, during which the deceased is alleged to have been knocked overboard and drowned. Inspector Williamson, asked His Worship to discharge the defendants this morning, as nothing further had been seen of the missing man.

SOLDIER BURIED IN CONFLAGRATION.

AT STONECUTTERS ISLAND.

Shortly after one o'clock this morning a fire broke out on the North side of Stonecutters Island caught fire. The Royal Garrison Artillery station there were soon on the scene and worked hard to extinguish the flames. When the conflagration was over Gunner Duncan, R.G.A., was found to be missing and, after a search, his body was discovered among the debris. His remains were removed to the mortuary.

TIENTSIN DAY BY DAY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

TIENTSIN, November 7th.

FINISH OF THE RACES.
The weather for the last day of the Races was splendid. The champions aroused considerable enthusiasm as after a very plucky ten minutes on a rearing and pretty vicious animal at the start young Tom Watts came in the winner on Yolk, a splendid finish to a splendid race. A. I. three first ponies were ridden by the Watts brothers who have made a splendid show this meeting and are fine horsemen.

THE CHENCHOW MASSACRE.

The recent edict about the Chenchow officials has I find great satisfaction. I. Peking as it complies with all the ministers' principal demands. The Chinese are inclined to boast however that they have scored in saving the life of the Brigadier General. I am glad to see that Sir Ernest is making a stand against mere blood money settlements of these matters. Would that ministers in the past had always taken this attitude and many valuable lives might have been saved. The acting Viceroy Mr. Wu holds a reception for foreigners on Sunday in honour of the E.D.'s birthday, and he has given orders for the town to be decorated with flags after the Japanese fashion.

One of the latest

FADS IN PEKING
is to start a Commercial Bureau or Board and to get some of the wealthy merchants in Singapore to come over and organize it. Chu Hung-chi and Wu Ting-fang being Directors. It is not in the least likely that any Singapore merchants will fall into the trap, as their great object in being there is to save their money. Neither is it likely that the new Board will accomplish anything. It is but another excuse for giving office to some hangers on, and making another dribble hole in the exchequer.

The Chinese appear to be taking to

THE TELEPHONE.

very kindly. Mr. Poulsen's system is being almost daily extended and some towns in the country are being connected with Tientsin. The line between Peking and Tientsin is the greatest possible convenience and conversation take place daily. As a rule the voices are very clear, but occasionally a cross conversation interferes. I was present the other day when all the events of the Peking races were telephoned down with the greatest convenience. What we want now is a speaking tube with Shanghai. When is some genius going to invent a submarine telephone!

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by correspondents in this column.)

THE CHINESE AND THE WATER METER QUESTION.

To the Editor of the "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH." SIR,—With reference to a statement in your last evening's issue that "It was not generally known that at a meeting held on the 18th August last at the Chinese Commercial Union, Mr. Chun Kan Yu and Mr. Ho Kom Tong were appointed to ascertain the views of the Chinese community in regard to this matter. Accordingly the two gentlemen set to work with might and main, &c." I send you herewith extracts of the translation of the record of the meetings held on the 25th July and 18th August last respectively.

Extract of Meeting held on the 25th July, 1902.
Proposed by Mr. Chun Kan Yu and seconded by Mr. Tam Tsz Kong that the Chairman (Mr. Fung Wa Chun) shall appoint a committee to collect subscriptions.

The Chairman—"Every member of the Council of this Union should go round and collect."

Mr. Ho Kom Tong—"The members present should start the subscription list themselves."

Mr. Ho Kom Tong, who at first following the example of Chun Kan Yu, Li Pak and Pun Tsz Wan had promised to subscribe \$100 each said—"I withdraw my promise of \$100. How much I will subscribe will be decided by me later on."

Proposed by Mr. Tam Tsz Kong and seconded by Mr. Chun Kan Yu that the Chairman and Mr. Ahmet Rumjahn be deputed to instruct legal advisers in drawing up a Petition.

On the motion of Mr. Chun Kan Yu, it was unanimously agreed that members of the committee should meet the next day at 11 o'clock a.m. at the Chun On Fire Insurance Co. and start therefrom for subscriptions.

Extract of Record of Meeting on 18th August, 1902.—The Chairman (Mr. Fung Wa Chun)—The Petition praying for the abolition of the Water Meter System having been drawn up with great care and satisfaction by Messrs. Ho Kai, Johnson Stokes and Master and Ahmet Rumjahn, I now propose that copies be made and sent round to all the Chinese in this Colony for signatures and chops.

This proposal supported by Mr. Chun Kan Yu was carried unanimously.

Proposed by Mr. Tam Tsz Kong and seconded by Mr. Chan King Ting that Messrs. Chun Kan Yu and Ho Kom Tong be deputed to look after and engage messengers to go round for signatures and chops.

Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. Tam Tsz Kong that advertisements be inserted in all the Chinese newspapers requesting the Chinese public to sign and chop the copies of the Petition.

From the above it is obvious that the views of the Chinese Community had already been ascertained prior to the meeting of the 18th August last as referred to by you and that no particular persons had been appointed for that purpose.

That over \$3,000 had been expended in connection with the Petition is also incorrect. The actual expenses up to the present date do not amount to more than \$1,200.

Yours faithfully,

FUNG WA CHUN,
Chairman,
Chinese Commercial Union.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1902.

To the Editor of the "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

DEAR SIR,—In a paragraph which appeared in your issue of the 20th inst. under the above heading your readers are led to understand that the legal expenses connected with the Water Petition have amounted to over \$3,000.

As far as we know the legal expenses amounted to \$1,058. We know that we received a sum of \$500 as our fee for our services in connection with the petition, which consisted of drafting and settling the document and consultations with Dr. Ho Kai and correcting the printers' proofs. We believe a like sum was paid to Dr. Ho Kai as his fee for his services in assisting us in settling the Petition. \$58 was the amount of the printing account.

So far as we are concerned those who assisted us with suggestions (in addition, of course, to Dr. Ho Kai) were Messrs. Ahmet Rumjahn, Fung Wa Chun and Chin Kang Yu.

Kindly publish this letter in your next issue as a means of correcting the incorrect statements which appeared in your issue of the 20th inst.

Yours faithfully,

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER.

[The amount collected and available for legal expenses, as we are informed, is over \$5,000, and although the whole has not yet been defrayed it is still available until this matter reaches its final state. We did not presume any knowledge, nor did we state who were the parties instructing Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master in the premises.—Ed., H.K.T.]

THEATRE ROYAL.

The last two nights are announced of *A Royal Divorce*, which has attracted crowded and enthusiastic audiences. It is rare that one piece has retained the boards in Hongkong so long and so successful, and it seems to prove that this city is capable of taking rank among the larger fields for theatrical enterprise and of attracting companies of the high standard set by Miss Janet Waldorf's combination. On Monday evening the bill will be changed when the *Lady of Orleans* is to be presented. This will be a most complete change of programme, and will serve to show the company in a new light, and one which will no doubt prove most entertaining. The box plan for the opening night may be seen at Robinson's on Saturday.

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NAVAL NOTES.

U.S.S. Phoenix from Wosong via Amoy arrived yesterday.

The German gunboat *Tiger* will probably leave do. k. to-morrow morning.

The Japanese gunboat *Oshima* will winter at Newchwang, with the British and Russian gunboats.

THE CANTON VICEROYALTY.

The report which has been in circulation at Shanghai for several days that H.E. Kuei Chun, the late Viceroy of Szechuen, is to be appointed to Canton, does not seem to be unfounded, says the *Universal Gazette* for, although the news has not been officially confirmed yet Kuei Chun's prolonged sojourn at this port, since his arrival from Szechuen, inclines us to suspect he has been given a hint to stay here to wait for further orders from the Central Government. With regard to Kuei Chun's ability as an administrator, though we have not studied it seriously, yet, judging by the situation of Szechuen since last Spring, we cannot but come to the conviction that he is not a man to be entrusted with any position of great responsibility. The Boxers in Szechuen could have been nipped in the bud without difficulty, but Kuei Chun, as Viceroy of the province, did not take any measures to remove the evil or to check its progress until at last, when he realised the seriousness of the situation, it was beyond his power to cope with it. At this point, the Central Government was obliged to remove him from the Viceroyalty and appoint Tsen Chenhsien as his successor. And the situation in Szechuen has been improving since his departure from the province.

The Boxer outbreaks in Szechuen are to be traced to three principal causes. In the first place, as the province is situated in a corner of the Empire it cannot learn so easily and quickly as the maritime provinces what is going on in the outside world. Hence its inhabitants are still in the dark as to the unprecedented calamity which the Boxer rising in North China brought on the country in 1900. On the contrary, they are under the impression that the Boxers of 1900 are patriotic subjects of China and got the upper hand of the Foreign troops.

Such an impression has given a great stimulus to the Boxer movement in Szechuen. Secondly, when the "Relief Contingent" which the Viceroy of Szechuen sent up to Hsinifu to protect the Refugee Court after the fall of Peking, was returning to Szechuen, a great many soldiers deserted and new men had to be recruited to fill the vacancies in the ranks en route. But most of the new men thus enlisted were ex-Boxers from the North, and ever since their advent in Szechuen, they have been sowing sedition in the hearts of the people and their mischievous work has been greatly assisted by the long drought and great famine which prevailed in a large part of the province.

Lastly, several of the high officials who were banished to Szechuen for their complicity in the Boxer movement of 1900, had held offices in Szechuen as Taotai, Provincial Treasurers, and so forth. So, on, and after their arrival in the province they were not treated like ordinary culprits by the local officials. When the people saw this they naturally thought that the Government still favoured Boxers, and they were thereby greatly encouraged to join the movement in the province. Kuei Chun is no longer fit for any Viceroyalty especially that of the Two Kwang provinces, no matter how the Boxer movement in Szechuen originated. He did not do and was completely powerless to do anything to stop the evil from beginning to end. I do not we may easily imagine what the result would be if he were to be appointed to the Viceroyalty of two provinces, one of which, namely, Kwangsi, is still being disturbed by an insurrection compared with which the Boxer movement in Szechuen is but trifling, and the other, namely, Kwangtung, unequalled by all the other provinces of the Empire in the fierceness and audacity of its robbers.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. F. G. Acting Director of the "Hongkong" Observatory.

On the 21st at 12.20 p.m. The barometer has fallen quickly over Japan, risen in N. China.

A depression is passing to the Pacific over N.E. Japan, and a second low area lies off the coast of S.W. Japan.

Pressure is high over N. China. Strong monsoon will probably set in again in the Formosa Channel during the next 24 hours. Moderate monsoon over the F. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—N. to N.E. winds, probably freshening; fair, becoming cooler.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

English (*Dingal*) to-morrow.

German (*Gera*) 25th inst.

Canadian (*Empress of Japan*) 25th inst.

Indian (*Litang*) 26th inst.

American (*America Maru*) 26th inst.

German (*Bayern*) 27th inst.

American (*Korea*) 6th prox.

American (*Gaelic*) 13th prox.

The N. S. S. S. steamer *Tremont* arrived at Yokohama to-day, the 21st inst.

The J. O. S. N. C. S. steamer *Marathon* left Singapore for this port on the 20th inst. at 8 a.m.

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

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The Canton Delta.

A STRANGE REPORT.

Berlin, 20th Nov., 6 p.m.

The Times reports from Hongkong that England demands the sole control of the Canton Delta. The statement has created some sensation here.

[Such a report would naturally create considerable sensation in Berlin; but at headquarters in Hongkong, a representative of the Hongkong Telegraph was assured that nothing whatever is known of the demand.—Ed. H.K.T.]

The Evacuation of Shanghai.

An English Blue Book has been published containing information regarding the evacuation of Shanghai.

The Kaiser.

Emperor William will return to Potsdam from England on Saturday.

Animated Discussion

IN THE REICHSTAG.

In the German Reichstag, the discussion regarding the Customs Tariff is very animated.

The Queen of Italy.

The Queen of Italy has given birth to a daughter.

France and Siam.

The objection of the French Colonial politicians against the Franco-Siam treaty of M. Delcasse has so far been without result. M. Delcasse will not resign voluntarily and refuses to withdraw the Treaty. The decision of the French Chamber will be published in January. As M. Delcasse's probable successors, Doumer and Lelièvre are named. Hunoteaux chances are unfavourable.

(RUE)

Explosion of a Magazine.

LONDON, November 19th.

A nitro-glycerine magazine at Cairo has exploded, killing eighteen Egyptians and injuring many others.

Russian Ambassador to London.

Count Benckendorff, Russian Minister at Copenhagen, has been gazetted Ambassador in London.

The Waziri Expedition.

The expedition against the Waziris is meeting with obstinate resistance. Colonel Tonnochy commanding the fourth column has been badly wounded. Reinforcements are asked for.

LATER.

Colonel Tonnochy has succumbed to his wounds.

Captain White was killed while leading a storming party to the attack on a tower held by outlaws. The other casualties were three British officers and eight natives wounded.

The other columns are meeting with but little resistance.

Accouchement of Queen of Italy.

The Queen of Italy has given birth to another daughter.

The Peking Post Office.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, in reply to Mr. Henniker-Heaton, said that from inquiries which had been made, he was satisfied that a British Post Office in Peking was unnecessary.

TAEL COINS.

We hear that it is Viceroy Yuan Shi-kai's intention to coin silver tael pieces, and he has memorialized the Throne of his intention. The tael has, except on paper, hitherto been a financial tall man for profitable calculation and nothing more; a will-o-the-wisp in currency, now on one side of the ledger now on the other; in everybody's mouth, in nobody's pockets, and in everyone's dreams. Now this is to be altered, and the Viceroy is about to embody this strange elusive currency in tangible form. Will financiers thank or curse him for his pains? The departure conjures up prospective difficulties in the form of more discredited currency. Whatever the many trying qualifications of the tael in the past may have been, its character has been on the whole unimpeachable. Now however, not only may we have exchange appreciation and depreciation, the tael in its own individual person may furnish variations. We shall have this tael, light tael, chopped tael, docked tael, false tael, and the endless variety of nuisances which handlers of silver coin are weary of in China. Providing however, that the coinage is sound and true, some convenience may result to those who deal exclusively or mainly in this currency; but we are inclined to

think H.E. the Viceroy would confer a greater benefit by introducing more paper money, and confining his attention to a good copper coinage instead of complicating our difficulties by the introduction of another coin which sooner or later is sure to become discredited as so many of the native dollars and subsidiary coins are at the present time.—P. & T. Times.

THE CEREMONIES AT NANKING.

The following is a special cable, dated 16th inst., from Nanking, and published in the N.C.D. News:—

At six the banquet presided over by H.E. Viceroy Chang Chi-tung took place. There were seventy-nine guests. Admiral Bridge was on the right of the Viceroy and Consul-General Knappe. Acting Doyen of Shanghai Consul Body in the absence through illness of Consul-General Goodnow, on his left.

The Viceroy proposed the health of the Empress Dowager and the Emperor of China, the Foreign Sovereigns, and the guests present. To which Admiral Bridge replied, thanking the Viceroy. This was followed by an inspection of the students of the Military College.

At ten o'clock on Saturday morning the captains of the twelve warships in harbour called on the Viceroy. They were followed at half-past ten by the English Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge, K.C.B., and staff, with the English Consul, Mr. F. E. Wilkinson, and at eleven by the members of the Shanghai Consular Body. At half-past eleven the Viceroy returned the Admiral's visit at the British Consulate, and afterwards called on the Foreign Consuls at the Board of Foreign Affairs.

At five the Viceroy held a reception at the Military School, attended by the Consuls, the naval and military officials, the members of the Customs staff, the representatives of the Municipal Councils of Shanghai, etc., etc.

On Sunday at ten o'clock in the morning, the foreigners were received by the son of the late Baron Liu at the late Viceroy's yamen, in the presence of enormous crowds. The procession of the remains to the river side, whence they were taken to a Chinese gunboat for conveyance to Hunan, was headed by the highest Nanking officials, followed by Admiral Bridge and staff, the Consuls, the naval and military officials, the representatives of the Customs, and the foreign civilians. The coffin was borne by sixty-four men.

The Viceroy thanked the foreigners for their attendance.

The warships in port fired minute guns. The whole ceremony was very impressive as well as unprecedented.

THE FOREIGN POLICY OF CHINA.

In their dealings with the Foreign Powers, says the *Sin Hua Pao*, our officials have one fixed policy, viz., the avoidance at any price of a foreign war. It is owing to this policy that more than one foreign war has been averted off. But it is also owing to this policy that our foreign intercourse has been attended with great calamities. Our real motive in taking special care to avoid foreign wars is because we do not wish to suffer the calamities inseparable from such wars. But, to our great dismay, we suffer calamities just the same, though wars are avoided by our policy of submissiveness. And why? Because the Foreign Powers quite understand that China is very much afraid of a foreign war, and so their fixed policy is to threaten her into compliance with their demands by means of naval demonstrations.

When a war breaks out between China and any Foreign Powers, the calamities, brought on by it, can only last for a short time. But the calamities attending China's policy of submissiveness will be permanent. It was after the Sino Japanese War of 1894-5 that China began to adopt such a policy, and the disastrous result was that Russia occupied Port Arthur and Tientsin; Germany seized Kiaochow; France annexed Kwangchow-shui; and Great Britain took Weihaiwei; not to mention the numerous minor and railway concessions, extorted by the threatening policy on the part of the Foreign Powers. But the more China yielded, the more bold the Foreign Powers became in their demands. She felt at last that she must assume a different attitude towards her aggressors. She, therefore, changed her policy of submissiveness into one of obstruction. Hence, when Italy asked for Sanmon Bay, she firmly resisted the demand and could not be moved by the threats of naval demonstrations. After this successful resistance, China began to become daily bolder in pursuing her obstructive policy, resulting in the Boxer war, against the Foreign Powers in 1900. But ever since that war China has been pursuing her former policy of submissiveness again. Her chief anxiety is to prevent another foreign war, no matter at what cost. Hence she complied with the British demands in regard to the punishment of the military officials concerned in the Chenchow massacre case. Compared with the punishments of the authors of Boxerism in 1900, including many Princes and High Ministers, the punishment of the Chenchow military officials is but trifling. Yet, how is it that public opinion approves the decapitation of the authors of Boxerism but laments the death sentence passed on the Chenchow military officials? Because the calamities of Boxerism were caused by the officials in the former case and it was only by severely punishing them that we could hope to prevent the recurrence of such calamities in future; whilst in the latter case the outrage was not caused by the military officials in question, and so their decapitation cannot prevent the recurrence of similar calamities in future.

It is indeed deplorable that our state men are so utterly ignorant in the art of diplomacy, and readily accede to whatever demands that are put forth by the Foreign Powers. If they continue in the pursuit of such a policy, the calamities, inevitably caused by it, will be endless.

THE WHANGPOO CONSERVANCY DIFFICULTY.

MORE CHINESE OBSTRUCTIVENESS.

The *China Gazette* publishes a free translation of a statement on the vexed question of the ways and means of providing funds for the conservancy of the Whangpoo River which appeared in the Shanghai *Universal Gazette* (Chinese) on the 16th inst. The statement sets forth that the matter of Whangpoo River Conservancy has already been mentioned in the Peace Protocol of 1901 and the late Viceroy Liu Kua-yih frequently discussed the subject with the foreign consuls; but without result, there being so many points which he considered infringed Chinese sovereignty such as the management being under foreign control and the taxing of land by the river being also in the hands of foreigners. After several discussions the matter has now been settled on the basis that the management shall be under the joint control of Chinese and foreign representatives, with Shanghai Taotai as President and have the sole management. It is now reported that Mr. Bredon, the Deputy Inspector General of the Imperial Maritime Customs, intends to propose that all steamers coming in and out of Woosung and the Whangpoo river and all inland steamers shall pay 4 mace per ton more tonnage dues than are now levied (according to the new Anglo-Chinese Treaty steamers of more than 150 tons pay 4 mace per ton and those of less than 150 tons 4 mace) thus making a total "additional income of about 55,000 taels per annum and also to collect a wharfage tax of 1 per cent. per 100 taels on goods imported and exported in addition to the wharfage which is now collected by the Municipal Councils of both the International and French settlements, so as to raise another revenue of about 45,000 taels. All these revenue are to be put into the Whangpoo conservancy fund. These contributions are what China is going to pay and are not to be counted as the foreign contribution to the fund. The *China Gazette* very justifiably remarks that it does not believe the Treaty Powers will for a moment countenance any such proposition.

CURIOUS INCIDENT AT SEA.

AN AWKWARD PREDICAMENT.

On one of the N. Y. K. liners, the *Wakasa Maru*, reports a Japanese exchange, there was a Japanese stranger who was always up to all sorts of tricks and pranks. One day when nearing land, the ship running easily with a perfectly smooth sea, the captain from the bridge saw several of the crew looking over the side. Sending an officer forward to inquire into the cause, he on his return reported he had found the fireman with his body half way through a port-hole and his comrades could get him either forward or back, the man being quite exhausted, and they had lowered a bowline down to support him a little. The captain then took a hand and the man was stripped, greased, pushed and pulled but all in vain. At last the engineer was called, the man by this time being much exhausted, and a sea coming up was getting ducked pretty freely. There was nothing left but to cut out the frame of the port, release the man, and make all secure. This was done, but the end was not yet. The man was free, but the frame or ring of the port-hole was round him yet. He had swollen so from the experiments already tried that it was impossible to file it off, although several attempts were made, and as a last resource, he was put in the refrigerator to see if cooling him down might reduce his size, and so get him clear. This was done and proved a little help, and after a time with the aid of the engineers he was got free. It was hoped that in the future he will be more careful in his pranks. The whole matter was the outcome of a bet with a shipmate, that he could get through the port-hole and in again. The port-hole was 10 inches in diameter.

THE BONDED TEA WAREHOUSE "RING."

AN ORGANISATION WHICH OUGHT, IN THE INTEREST OF TRADE, TO BE BROKEN UP.

[BY AN INDIAN TEA PLANTER.]

The Calcutta Correspondent of *The Financial News* recently referred to the possibility of a break in the Indian tea warehouse ring. He said: "I am told that the warehouse charges as they now stand, are often equal to the cost per case of conveying tea from Calcutta to London." I can say positively that this is actually the fact. My disbursements for freight (Calcutta to London) and warehouse charges for the past two years stand as follow, viz:—

Year	Freight	Warehouse charges	Quantity of tea.
1901	£106 15	£112 16	67,930 lb.
1900	111 17	115 16	67,547 lb.

The number of packages being 833 (of which 150 were boxes of 10 lb. net) and 63, full-sized chests.

If complaint is made to the warehouse proprietor that his charges are excessive, he will say he can make no reduction, by reason of the proportion he disburses to the dock companies. This may or may not be so; but it is impossible to get away from the fact that the bonded tea warehouse business is a protected one, inasmuch as there is reason to believe that the Customs authorities have refused to provide officers for warehouses beyond those now existing; further, there are directors and shareholders of tea companies holding interests in some of the existing warehouses; so what they lose at one game, they gain in the other.

These united forces, opposed to the weak combination of the planter-importer, and the lack of unanimity existing in their ranks, result in the payment of practically the same charges to-day as have obtained for years past, when the tea-planter industry was in a prosperous condition.—*Financial News*.

Commercial.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

A good feeling prevails for the following shares, which are in strong demand, and are wanted:—
BANKS—\$137.50, HONGKONG HOTELS at \$139.50, DOUGLAS S.S. at \$41.50, WEST POINTS at \$9.50. CHINA SUGARS are weaker with sellers at \$96, as well as INDO CHINAS at \$99. HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENTS are slightly weaker with sellers at \$184, HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAM BOATS are quoted at \$37.75. Other stocks remain unchanged, with more sellers than buyers.

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, 21st November.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—
MALWA NEW @ \$980/1,000
" OLDEST @ 1,037/1,060
PATNA NEW @ 977
" OLD @ 977
BENARES NEW @ 977
" OLD NO STOCK
PERSIAN (PAPER) @ 803/850

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on TURSDAY, the 25th November, 1902, at 11 A.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 20, Des Voeux Road, A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF GALVANI-ED TOWER BOLTS, CABIN HOOKS, ESPAGNOLETTE BOLTS with BRASS HANDLES, BRASS BUTT HINGES, DOOR SPRINGS, &c., &c. TERMS:—As Usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 21st November, 1902. [1256d]

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE, MEXICAN or BRITISH DOLLARS, Current in this Colony, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days' sight on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 A.M., on WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant.

The Tenders to state the total amount required (in Pounds Sterling), and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate, and in sealed covers, addressed to the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, and endorsed "Tenders for Government Bills."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved. Forms of Tenders can be had on application.

GEO. H. FERRIER, Colonel, Chief Paymaster, China. His Majesty's Treasury Office, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 20th November, 1902. [1257d]

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, MACAO. NOTICE.

It is hereby notified by this Department that at Twelve o'clock noon on the 22nd November of the current year, Tenders by public auction will again be invited at the Secretariat of this Department, for the erection of TWO B.C.S. OF BUILDINGS for Shops in the Market of San Domingos.

In order to be admitted to the Auction it will be necessary for bidders to prove that they have made a provisional deposit of \$543.25.

Conditions for Competition and Specifications of the Work can be seen in this Department on Week Days, not being public holidays, between the hours of 10.30 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Public Works Department, Macao, 22nd October, 1902.

A. NUNES, Engineer in charge.

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It is hereby notified by this Department that at Twelve o'clock noon on the 22nd November of the current year, Tenders by public auction will again be invited, at the Secretariat of this Department, for the CONSTRUCTION OF FOUR SHEDS for the Market of San Domingos.

In order to be admitted to the Auction it will be necessary for bidders to prove that they have made a provisional deposit of \$425.25.

Conditions for competition and Specifications of the Work can be seen in this Department on Week Days, not being public holidays, between the hours of 10.30 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Public Works Department, Macao, 22nd October, 1902.

A. NUNES, Engineer in charge.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "COPTIC" are hereby notified that their Goods are at their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or landed into our Godowns Nos. 1 and 2, at Kennedy Town, (Marine Lot 243), and delivery may be had either from Lighters or from our Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of Lading.

Goods remaining unclaimed after the 28th instant, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1902. [1261d]

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL.
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Representative Mr. ARTHUR SEYMOUR.

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Hongkong, 21st November, 1902. [1258d]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

COMPANIES (WINDING UP).

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCES 1865 TO 1899 AND IN THE MATTER OF THE WA HING SILVER MINING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that by an Order made by the Supreme Court of Hongkong in the above Matter dated the 12th November, 1902, on the Petition of WONG CHI TONG, a Judgment Creditor of the above named Company, it is ordered that the said Wa Hing Silver Mining Company, Limited, be wound up by the Court under the Provisions of the Companies Ordinances 1865 to 1899. A. R. LOWE, Provisional Liquidator.

NOTICE.

WE, THE BAN AN STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED, of Victoria, Hongkong, hereby give Notice that in consequence of change of owners, we have applied to the Board of Trade under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship *ESMERALDA*, of Hongkong Official Number 95859 of Gross Tonnage 1,495 tons, Register Tonnage 966 tons, heretofore owned by the China and Manila Steamship Company Limited for permission to change her name to *AN PHO* and to have her registered in the New Name at the Port of Hongkong as owned by The Ban An Steamship Company Limited. Any Objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong within 7 days from the Appearance of this Advertisement. Dated at Victoria, Hongkong, the 20th day of November, 1902. [1260d]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH & LONDON. THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE."

Captain H. M. Vyvyan, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1902. [1262d]

TO LET.

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Hongkong, 21st November, 1902. [1263d]

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

S.S. "SALAMANCA" FROM BANGKOK.

CONSIGNEES of 100 Bags of Rice marked E. F. PUNTA RENAS.

No. 1/100 shipped by E. F. PUNTA RENAS, are hereby notified that same have been landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

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Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	A. Fraser	MANILA (DIRECT)	26th Nov. at Noon.
RUBI	2540	W. Lawson	Do.	3rd Dec. at Noon.
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PERLA	1980	J. McGinty	Do.	Do.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 19th November, 1902.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO. LIMITED.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS.	DUE.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	3rd December, 1902.
"	"TYDEUS"	15th "
"	"TELEMACHUS"	31st "
"	"PROXETHUS"	8th January, 1903.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR LONDON.

STEAMERS.	TO SAIL.
"AGATHA"	25th Nov., 1902.
"TANTALUS" (FOR AMSTERDAM and LONDON)	9th Dec., "
"ULYSSES"	23rd "
"PELEUS"	6th Jan., 1903.
"ANTENOR"	20th "
FOR LIVERPOOL (DIRECT) (Taking Cargo at LONDON RATES).	
"ALCIBIUS"	20th Dec., 1902.
"TYDEUS"	20th Jan., 1903.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR

STEAMERS.

TO SAIL.

STEAMERS.	TO SAIL.
"SHANGHAI"	22nd November.
"SHANGHAI"	24th "
"SHANGHAI"	26th "
"AMOI and MANILA."	26th "
"SHANGHAI"	29th "
"Kobe and Yokohama."	29th "
"THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE."	4th December.
"CHANGSHA"	5th "

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CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY LIMITED.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS.	DUE.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MOYUNE"	27th November.
"	"OOPACK"	10th December.
"	"NINGCHOW"	25th December.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TEENKAI"	20th December.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS and NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"MOYUNE"	29th November.
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Hongkong, 19th November, 1902.

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FOR ANPING	"MAIDZURU MARU"	T. Saito	WEDNESDAY, 26th November.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Groves	SUNDAY, 30th November.
FOR DOOCHOW	"ANPING MARU"	J. Goto	WEDNESDAY, 3rd December.

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By the Co's steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading issued for Cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Co's Local Branch Office, at No. 2, Des Voeux Road Central.

Hongkong, 19th November, 1902.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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Princes' Buildings,
Ice House Street,
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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAILONG."

Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above Port, TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co., General Managers,
Hongkong, 20th November, 1902. [1255d]

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE N.D.L. Steamship

"STRASSBURG,"
Captain Madsen, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant, at 5 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and carries a Doctor.

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"CROVDON"	10th Dec.
"ORONO"	20th Dec.
"MOGUL"	31st Dec.
"HINDUSTAN"	10th Jan., 1903.
"MACDUFF"	To follow
"SHIMOSA"	To follow

For Freight and further information, apply to
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Hongkong, 11th November, 1902. [139d]

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THE Company's Japanese Mail Steamship.

"KASUGA MARU,"
4,000 Tons, Captain Hector Fraser, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 27th instant, at 4 P.M.

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A. S. MIHARA,
Manager,
Hongkong, 5th November, 1902. [1177d]

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STEAMERS.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUISANG."

Capt. James Young, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 26th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers,
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"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR GENOA, LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"RENMORH."

Captain Wallace, will be despatched as above on or about MONDAY, the 15th December.

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents,
Hongkong, 7th November, 1902. [1187d]

Consignees.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, PORT SAID, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"VINDOBONA."

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

This Vessel brings Cargo—
From Trieste, ex s.s. *Imperial*, transhipped at Bombay.

Optional Cargo will be discharged here, unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 22nd instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 22nd instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents,
Hongkong, 15th November, 1902. [1197d]

FROM NEW YORK.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"ADRIA."

Captain Schaarschmidt, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office,
Hongkong, 18th November, 1902. [1266d]

STEAMSHIP "INDUS."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London and Havre, ex s.s. *Medea*, and from Bordeaux, ex s.s. *Ville de Dunkerque*, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 9 A.M., TO-DAY, the 18th instant, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 24th instant, at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 24th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 24th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent,
Hongkong, 18th November, 1902. [1004c]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"KAWACHI MARU."

having arrived from the above Ports, consignees of general cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out, marked by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 26th instant will be subject to rent.

All ship damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and Notice same sent to this Office before the 26th instant, or claims in connection therewith will not be recognized.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Hongkong, 19th November, 1902. [1141d]

Consignees.

FROM HAMBURG, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE N.D.L. Steamship

"STRASSBURG,"
Captain Madsen, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 22nd instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office,
Hongkong, 20th November, 1902. [1253d]

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